NCDOT PROGRAMS

Highway Beautification

The NCDOT Wildflower Program creates colorful landscapes along the

state's roadsides with flower plantings. The department's 14 highway divisions plant 200,000 daylilies annually and maintain 2,500 acres of wildflower seedbeds.

The program is supported through federal enhancement funds, citizen



N.C. Wildflower Program, Mount Airy

donations and proceeds from personalized license plates.

Motorists will also travel along thousands of miles of litter-free highways maintained by some 6,000 groups totaling 100.000 citizen volunteers in North Carolina's Adopt-A-Highway Program. The groups pick up about 4 million pounds of litter from 12,000 adopted roadside miles, saving taxpayers nearly \$4 million annually in roadside cleanup costs. Show support for the state's anti-litter efforts by purchasing a "No Litter" license plate through NCDOT's Division of Motor Vehicles. For more information about our highway beautification programs, call 1-800-331-5864 or visit www.ncdot. org/~beautification.

Aviation

With more than 300 privately owned and 74 publicly owned airports, heliports

and other landing areas, aviation is a vital part of the state's economy. More than 43 million passengers fly to and from North Carolina each year, and commercial and general aviation airports generate about \$12 billion annually for the state. For more

information on aviation in North Carolina, visit <u>www.ncdot.org/transit/aviation</u>.

Ferry

The ferry system includes 22 ferries that operate 365 days a year on seven routes along the coast. Ferries provide a vital link to many coastal residents and take visitors to unforgettable attractions such as lighthouses, pristine beaches, world-class fishing, romantic getaways, historic sites, kayaking, windsurfing and more. Reservations are available on several routes. For more information, call 1-800-BY-FERRY (293-3779) or visit www.ncferry.org.